

REMARKS

By the present amendment, claims 1 and 14-28 are pending in the application.

This application is a continuation application under 35 U.S.C. §120 of prior Application No. 09/555,199 filed June 27, 2000 which is a 35 U.S.C. §371 of PCT/JP98/05331 filed November 26, 1998.

Original claim 1 is carried forward in the Preliminary Amendment for purposes of continuity. It is intended to cancel claim 1 after this continuation application has been granted a filing date.

New claims 14-28 of this continuation application are directed to a resin film.

Support For Claims

A resin film is discussed throughout the specification. See, e.g., page 5, lines 24-25.

Claim 14

New independent claim 14 is based upon original independent claim 1. The limitation ethylene and a polar group is disclosed in the specification; e.g., at page 15, lines 16-28, particularly lines 25-28. See also specification at page 18 starting at line 21. The limitation of melt-mixing is disclosed in the specification, e.g., at page 24, lines 16-22.

Claim 15

New independent claim 15 is based upon original claim 1 with the limitation directed to a --core/shell type

elastomer resin-- and with the vinyl polymer (C) comprising --an acrylate-based polymer-- and with the addition of --an epoxy group or an aromatic polyester bond--. See original dependent claims 8, 9 and 10. See specification, e.g., at page 4, lines 20-29. Aromatic polyester bond is disclosed in the specification, e.g., at page 4, line 27 and page 26, lines 5-6.

Claim 16

New independent claim 16 is similar to new independent claim 14, with new independent claim 16 directed to a "crystalline polyester resin (A)". A crystalline polyester resin is disclosed in the specification, e.g., at page 10, lines 35-36.

Claim 17

New dependent claim 17 is directed to the elastomer resin (B) being softer than the vinyl polymer (C). The specification discloses, e.g., at page 20, lines 5-9 that the core (elastomer resin (B)) is in a soft rubber state and the shell (vinyl polymer(C)) is in a hard resin state. The specification also discloses, e.g., at page 22, lines 33-36 the soft core and hard shell.

The specification discloses, e.g., at page 22, lines 8-11 that the glass transition temperature T_g of the core is no higher than 30°C.

The specification discloses, e.g., at page 22, line 37 to page 23, line 4 that the glass transition temperature T_g of the shell is at least 30°C.

Claim 18

New dependent claim 18 is based upon original dependent claim 2.

Claim 19

New dependent claim 19 is based upon original dependent claim 3.

Claim 20

New dependent claim 20 is based upon original dependent claim 4.

Claim 21

New dependent claim 21 is based upon original dependent claim 5.

Claim 22

New dependent claim 22 is based upon original dependent claim 6.

Claim 23

New dependent claim 23 is based upon original dependent claim 7.

Claim 24

New dependent claim 24 is based upon original dependent claim 8.

Claim 25

New dependent claim 25 is based upon original dependent claim 9.

Claim 26

New dependent claim 26 is based upon original dependent claim 10.

Claim 27

New dependent claim 27, directed to the resin film containing a pigment, is disclosed in the specification, e.g., at page 31, lines 30-32 and page 32, line 37 to page 33, line 1.

Claim 28

Support for new dependent claim 28, directed to glass transition temperature Tg, may be found in the discussion of new dependent claim 17.

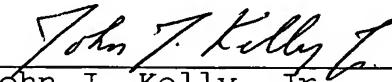
CONCLUSION

An action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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